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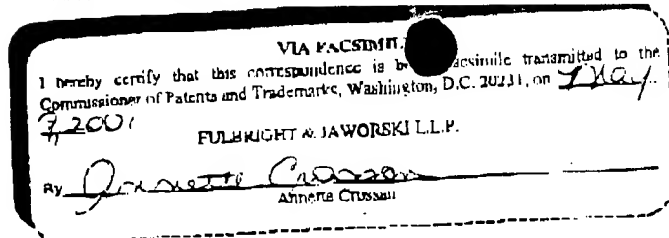
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant : Laura Dumoutier, et al.  
Application No. : 09/626,617  
Filed : July 27, 2000  
For : ISOLATED NUCLEIC ACID MOLECULES WHICH ENCODE T  
CELL INDUCIBLE FACTORS, OR INTERLEUKIN-21, THE  
PROTEINS ENCODED, AND USES THEREOF  
Art Unit : 1644  
Examiner : A. Decloux

May 9, 2001

Hon. Commissioner of Patents  
and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**RESPONSE TO  
RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

In response to the restriction requirement of April 20, applicants respond as follows.

With respect to election of an allegedly separate group, Group I, claims 1-12 are elected.

In accordance with point 4 of the action, the following further elections are made:

- A. Specific STAT transcription factor: STAT-3 (claims 2 and 3)
- B. Specific IL-TIP/IL-21: mammalian/human (claims 4 and 5)
- C. Specific acute phase protein: serum amyloid A (claim 9)
- D. Specific cell: liver cell (claim 8)

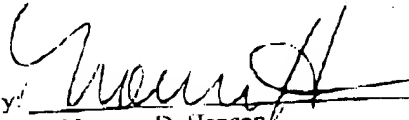
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The claims reading on this election are claims 1-12.  
Examination is requested.

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